IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OF ICE West et al.

Application No.: 09/653,406

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For: Nitric Oxide-Producing Hydrogel
Materials

Docket No: 47400-0100
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents for a one-month extension of time, through and including April 24, 2003, to respond to the Office Action mailed on December 24, 2002 Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55.00, the fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

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